

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

The Applicants respond to the restriction requirement of the Office Action of June 19, 2009. Claims 1 through 57 are pending in the application.

Response to Restriction Requirement

The Examiner applies a restriction requirement to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted. Specifically, the Examiner requires the Applicants to elect between three groups of inventions identified by the Examiner.

The Applicants elect with traverse Group 1, as identified by the Examiner, which includes claims 1 through 20. No change in inventorship is caused by this election.

This election is made with traverse because the claims of Group II are dependent upon the claims of Group I. The claims of Group II combine the flow restrictor with a tap adapter for use in dispensing. Therefore, a common important element must be searched for both Groups I and II.

In similar fashion, the tap adapter for use in dispensing is common to Groups II and III. Again, a common, important element must be searched for both groups.

Reconsideration of the restriction is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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